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Inspection Report

Permit Number:	C0070013		
Inspection Type:	COMPLETE		
Inspection Date:	Tuesday, March 13, 2012		
Start Date/Time:	3/13/2012 9:20:00 AM		
End Date/Time:	3/13/2012 12:15:00 PM		
Last Inspection:	Tuesday, February 14, 2012		

Inspector: Pete Hess.

Weather: Warm; high clouds.

InspectionID Report Number: 3044

Accepted by: jhelfric

3/20/2012

Permitee: UTAHAMERICAN ENERGY INC Operator: UTAHAMERICAN ENERGY INC

Site: HORSE CANYON MINE

Address: PO BOX 910, EAST CARBON UT 84520-0910

County: CARBON

Permit Type: PERMANENT COAL PROGRAM

Permit Status: ACTIVE

Current Acreages

Total Permitted	5,992.07
Total Disturbed	42.60
Phase I	51.56
Phase II	51.56
Phase III	74.26

Mineral Ownership

Types of Operations ✓ Federal ✓ Underground Surface County Loadout Fee Processing Other Reprocessing

Report summary and status for pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments:

The Permittee has met the due diligence requirements mandated under the Federal lease. UtahAmerican Energy idled the Lila Canyon Mine and the West Ridge Mine on March 8, 2012. 174 employees were affected.

Inspector's Signature:

Date

Tuesday, Marc

Pete Hess,

Inspector ID Number: 46

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REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
 - a. For COMPLETE inspections provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check Not Applicable.
 - b. For PARTIAL inspections check only the elements evaluated.
- 2. Document any noncompliance situation by reference the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- 3. Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performace standard listed below.
- 4. Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Divison Orders, and amendments.

		Evaluated	Not Applicable	Comment	Enforcement
1.	Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale	✓		✓	
2.	Signs and Markers	✓			
3.	Topsoil	✓		✓	
4.a	Hydrologic Balance: Diversions	~		✓	
4.b	Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments	~		~	
4.c	Hydrologic Balance: Other Sediment Control Measures	✓			
4.d	Hydrologic Balance: Water Monitoring	✓		~	
4.e	Hydrologic Balance: Effluent Limitations	✓		~	
5.	Explosives	✓			
6.	Disposal of Excess Spoil, Fills, Benches		V		
7.	Coal Mine Waste, Refuse Piles, Impoundments		V		
8.	Noncoal Waste	✓			
9.	Protection of Fish, Wildlife and Related Environmental Issues	✓		V	
10.	Slides and Other Damage		V		
11.	Contemporaneous Reclamation		V		
12.	Backfilling And Grading		✓		
13.	Revegetation	✓		~	
14.	Subsidence Control	✓		V	
15.	Cessation of Operations	V		V	
16.a	Roads: Construction, Maintenance, Surfacing	Y			
16.b	Roads: Drainage Controls	~			
17.	Other Transportation Facilities	~			
18.	Support Facilities, Utility Installations	~			
19.	AVS Check	✓		V	
20.	Air Quality Permit	✓		✓	
21.	Bonding and Insurance	~			
22.	Other	✓		V	

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1. Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale

The current DOGM permit remains in effect through May 2016 (date of issue, May 6, 2011). The current UPDES permit (UTG040024) remains in effect through April 30, 2013. The air quality Approval Order (DAQE-702-99) was issued August 27, 1999; throughput is approved for 4.5 M tons per 12 month rolling period.

3. Topsoil

No topsoil recovery is occurring at this time.

4.a Hydrologic Balance: Diversions

Task ID # 4005, Update Drainage Plan, which was submitted by the Permittee at the request of the assigned reclamation specialist, was denied and returned to the Permittee with three deficiencies. The deficiencies are relative to ASCA areas, effluent limitations, and depiction of the ASCA's on Maps 5-2 and 7-5.

4.b Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments

Ponds 1 and 2 were both dry. The 4th Quarter Impoundment inspections for Ponds #1 and #2 were conducted by Mr. Marshall on October 31, 2011. There were no hazards or compliance issues identified during those inspections. The Annual Pond Inspections were performed by the Permittee's qualified individual on August 15, 2011. Neither pond 1 or pond 2 were noted as having any hazards. Both ponds are incised. All inlets and spillways appeared capable of functioning, as observed on December 15, 2011. Mr. Marshall certified the 8/15/2011 inspection reports on 8/25/2011, as required under R645-301-514.300. As observed on 3/13/2012, both ponds were dry. No compliance issues were identified.

4.d Hydrologic Balance: Water Monitoring

4th Quarter 2011 water monitoring data for the Lila Canyon Mine permit area has been entered into the DOGM electronic data base pipeline. Data for the Lower Rain Gauge at Lila was downloaded on October 8, 2011. Quaker Spring (3C) was the only other monitoring point to give reportable data. All other sites were either reported as "no flow" or damp / pooling / no flow. There was not any flow observed in the undisturbed channels adjacent to the permit area. All permit area diversions were dry. Mr. Mike Milburn, Range Creek Security Supervisor for the University of Utah, recently notified Mr. Marshall that access to Little Park was possible via ATV in the early morning was possible when the ground was still frozen. The completion of first quarter water monitoring in that area remains pending due to the access conditions. Mr. Marshall anticipates the access will improve prior to the end of March, 2012.

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4.e Hydrologic Balance: Effluent Limitations

Discharge monitoring reports for the months of October, November and December of 2011, and January 2012 were reviewed for exceedances and timely submittal. Both of the permitted UPDES outfalls were reported as "no flow" situation for each of the four monitoring periods reviewed. The timeliness of each reporting period was in accordance with the permitted reporting criteria.

9. Protection of Fish, Wildlife and Related Environmental Issues

No wildlife was observed during today's inspection.

13. Revegetation

The Phase III bond release application for the Ditch 31 reclamation work (Task ID # 4008, Geneva Mine, Roadside Waste Rock site) has been returned to the Permittee for re-processing. The application was apparently submitted at a time when field verifications of the performed work would be difficult to evaluate. Also, a notarized statement indicating that all applicable reclamation activities had been accomplished was not provided. The Permittee is addressing these requirements in preparation for re-submittal.

14. Subsidence Control

To date, no secondary coal recovery is occurring.

15. Cessation of Operations

The Mine has been idled.

19. AVS Check

There have not been any changes in the Chapter 1, Ownership and Control information for UtahAmerican Energy.

20. Air Quality Permit

See the comment in Section 1.

22. Other

Development mining in the sump area has been completed; the main entries are now being developed down dip. In three cross-cuts, the entries will be turned toward the ESE and developed to the entry fault (See Plate 5-3, Subsidence Control Map, Lila Canyon MRP).